GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF GASOHOL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to expand production and distribution of Gasohol in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the strategy proposed to be implemented;

(c) the time by which the entire country is likely to be covered under this strategy; and

(d) the details of pilot projects to be undertaken to achieve the target of production and distribution of Gasohol?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (SHR SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (b)Yes, Sir. Government have decided to supply 5% ethanol-doped-petrol (gasohol) in the country in two phases.

During the first phase the states of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Punjab, Tamil Nadu & Uttar Pradesh would be covered. During the second phase the rest of the country would be covered.

(c) The modalities and economics are being worked out.

(d) It has also been decided to launch six more pilot projects three in Uttar Pradesh, two in Punjab and one in Andhra Pradesh.